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## A FOURTH-ORDER NONLINEAR ITERATIVE METHOD IN BANACH SPACES

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**Abstract**—In this short paper, we establish an Ostrowski-Kantorovich convergence theorem [1–5] and give an expression for the error bound of a fourth order method in Banach spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

We introduce a new iterative method for solving nonlinear operator equations in Banach spaces. Comparing with the classical Newton iteration, this new method can save one evaluation of  $P(X)$  and an inverse computation in each step. Also we provide sufficient conditions and give a representation for the error bound of the method.

### 2. A FOURTH ORDER ITERATIVE METHOD

Let  $P(X) : D_o \subset X_B \longrightarrow Y_B$ , where  $X_B$  and  $Y_B$  are real or complex Banach spaces and  $D_o$  is an open domain in  $X_B$ . Assume that  $P$  has first order continuous Frechet derivative on  $D_o$  and  $P'(X)^{-1}$  exists. We define the method as follows for all  $n \geq 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Y_n &= X_n - P'(X_n)^{-1} P(X_n) \\ H(X_n, Y_n) &= P'(X_n)^{-1} \left\{ P' \left[ X_n + \frac{2}{3} (Y_n - X_n) \right] - P'(X_n) \right\} \\ X_{n+1} &= Y_n - \frac{3}{4} H(X_n, Y_n) \left[ I - \frac{3}{2} H(X_n, Y_n) \right] (Y_n - X_n). \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Under the standard Ostrowski-Kantorovich assumptions, we can show that iteration (2.1) is well-defined. We also provide sufficient convergence conditions and derive a representation for the error bound. The main result is the following theorem.

### 2. THE CONVERGENCE THEOREM AND ERROR BOUND

**THEOREM 3.1.** Let  $P(X) : D_o \subset X_B \longrightarrow Y_B$ , where  $X_B, Y_B$  are real or complex Banach spaces and  $D_o$  is an open convex domain.

Assume that  $P$  has 2nd order continuous Frechet derivatives on  $D_o$  and satisfies the following conditions:

$$\|P''(X)\| \leq M, \quad \|P''(X) - P''(Y)\| \leq N\|X - Y\|, \quad (3.2)$$

for all  $X, Y$  in  $D_o$ . For given an initial value  $X_0 \in D_o$ , assume that  $P'(X_0)^{-1}$  exists and satisfies

$$\|P'(X_0)^{-1}\| \leq \beta, \quad \|Y_0 - X_0\| \leq \eta. \quad (3.3)$$

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Set

$$\left\{1M^2 + \frac{N}{6\beta}\right\}^{1/2} \leq K, \quad (3.4)$$

$$h = K\beta\eta \leq 0.46568, \quad (3.5)$$

$$\overline{S(X_0, r_1)} \subset D_o, \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\overline{S(x, r)} = \{x' \in X \mid |x' - x| \leq r\}$  and

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{2}KT^2 - \frac{1}{\beta}t + \frac{\eta}{\beta}, \quad (3.7)$$

$$r_1 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 2h}}{h}\eta, \quad (3.8)$$

$$\theta = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 2h}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - 2h}}. \quad (3.9)$$

Here  $r_1$  is the smallest root of equation (3.7). Then the iterative procedure (2.1) is well-defined and convergent. Also  $X_n, Y_n \in \overline{S(X_0, r_1)}$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . The limit  $X^*$  is a solution of the equation  $P(X) = 0$ . In addition, we have the following error estimates.

$$\|X_n - X^*\| \leq r_1 - t_n \leq \frac{(1 - \theta^2)\eta}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{5}} [\sqrt[3]{5} \theta]^{4^n}} [\sqrt[3]{5} \theta]^{4^n - 1} \quad (3.10)$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ . To produce the sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ , replace  $Y_n, X_n$  and  $P$  in (2.1) by  $S_n, t_n$  and  $g$ , respectively, for all  $n \geq 0$ .

REMARKS.

(a) The constant  $(h \leq) 0.46568 \dots$  results from the solution of the inequality

$$\sqrt[3]{5} \theta = \sqrt[3]{5} \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 2h}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - 2h}} \leq 1.$$

(b) Our results can be used to solve multilinear operator equations of the form

$$P_k(X) = M_k X^k + M_{k-1} X^{k-1} + \dots + M_1 X + M_0$$

and each  $M_i$  is a linear symmetric operator. In particular, for  $P_2(X) = M_2 X^2 + M_1 X + M_0$  we have  $P_2'(X) = 2M_2 X + M_1$  and  $P_2''(X) = 2M_2$ . That is in conditions (3.2), we can set  $M = 2\|M_2\|$  and  $N = 0$ . Equations of the form  $P_2(X) = 0$  have very important applications in radioactive transfer [6].

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